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On the passage there a heavy gale was encountered and the craft was put under shortest sail and hove to. This was about the first of April. The craft made good weather of it until one unlucky sea reared its white crested head and toppling along, fell with full force on the deck of the Willard amidships, breaking eight out of the ten dories.

Of course the dories had to be repaired before any fishing could be done, and the craft was kept on her course for Canso, where repairs were made and more bait secured, and once more the craft's prow was turned for the fishing grounds, this time for the Peak, the great spring rendezvous of the salt bankers and of the early fish school as well. Here some fair fishing was found and the bait used up, and as the time was drawing near when Capt. McInnis knew the craft was needed for her other line of fishing, she was headed for home, arriving without incident on the homeward voyage.

Capt. McInnis has seen about all the salt bank fleet and no serious disasters or loss was reported by any of the vessels. Many had suffered more or less during the heavy weather as far as having dories smashed or losing a bit of cable and anchor were concerned. Some of the vessels had lost three or four anchors and there was hardly one in the fleet which had not lost at least one anchor.

Like all conservative skippers, Capt. McInnis was diffident about what the rest of the fleet had done. He said that some of the vessels had done well and some had done nothing. He thought that sch. A. E. Whyland, with 120,000 pounds of salt cod and sch. Elector, with 100,000 pounds or better, were the best fished of the fleet. Sch. Arcadia he put down for 80,000 or 90,000 pounds and sch. Maggie and May for 70,000 pounds, and these four vessels he thought were the leaders. Some other crafts had done fairly well, while others had done positively nothing.

Capt. McInnis stated that he left the Peak for home last Wednesday, and at that time eight vessels were left there. The rest of the fleet were into land for bait or scattered over the ground about Sable island. Very few, if any, were to the northward. Many were at Fox island, Guysboro Bay, looking for their baitings.

Taking it all in all, and considering how late many of the fleet were in getting on the fishing ground, Capt. McInnis was of the opinion that the fleet taken as a whole had not done as well as last year, up to the time he left for home. Some of the fleet had done better, but he believed the catch of the fleet taken all in all to be behind that of last spring at this time.

Capt. McInnis also reports that on Wednesday last, as the vessel was coming off the fishing ground for home, they came across two French fishermen astray in their dory. The men had lost their vessel, the Woilkarie, about 12 hours before and were taken on board. Their names he was unable to understand, but they will be forwarded to the French consul at Boston today, one of them belonging in St. Pierre, Miquelon, and the other in St. Malo, France.

DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Mary T. Fallon, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Emily Sears, shore.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Conqueror, shacking.

Sch. Lillian, south netting.

Sch. Marsala, Rips.

Sloop Send, shore.

Today's Fish Market.

Board of Trade fresh fish prices: large western cod, \$2.37 1-2; medium do., \$1.62 1-2; large eastern cod, \$2.12 1-2; medium do., \$1.50; snapper do., 60c; cusk, \$1.62 1-2; snapper do., 50c; haddock, \$1.10; hake, \$1.10; pollock, \$1.

Board of Trade salt fish prices: Large Georges handline cod, \$4.75; medium do., \$3.75; salt haddock, \$2; salt pollock, \$2; salt hake, \$2; salt cusk, \$2.50.

Bank halibut, 8 cts. per lb., for white and 5 cts. or gray.

Rips salt cod, \$4.25 per cwt. for large, \$3.25 for medium, and \$2.25 for snappers.

Market price large western cod to split, \$2.50 per cwt., medium do., \$1.62 1-2. Large eastern cod, \$2.25, medium do., \$1.50.

Market price fresh large Rips cod, \$2.50 per cwt., medium do., \$1.80.

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Boston.

Steamer Spray, 100,000 haddock, 60,000 cod, 15,000 pollock, 1500 halibut.

Sch. Flora J. Sears, 14,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Rose Cabral, 11,000 haddock, 6000 cod.

Sch. Louise C. Cabral, 16,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Appomattox, 14,000 cod.

Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, 7000 haddock, 4000 cod.

Sch. Louisa R. Sylva, 27,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sloop Olympia, 500 haddock, 500 cod.

Steamer Ida, 500 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Dorothy, 17000 cod.

Sch. Rattler, 2500 cod.

Sch. Mary J. Ward, 1500 haddock, 1500 cod.

Sch. Emilia Enos, 13,000 haddock, 14,000 cod.

Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 5000 haddock, 4000 cod, 8000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell, 18,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 20,000 cusk.

Sch. Olivia Sears, 4000 cod.

Haddock, \$2 to \$2.25; large cod, \$2.75; market cod, \$1.70; hake, \$1.50 to \$3; cusk, \$1.50 to \$2.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Independence II. is on Parkhurst's railways getting ready for her spring seining trip.

Sch. Fanine Belle Atwood has been painting up on Burnham's railways.

Quite a number of the southern netting fleet have now sailed and a large number will get away during the next ten days.

Sch. J. J. Flaherty was at Canso, N. S., last Saturday.

Sch. Rebecca Bartlett, Falmouth for this port, arrived at Vineyard Haven yesterday.

Sch. Terra Nova of Boston is having a new mainmast stepped at Burnham's shears.

Sch. Selma is on Burnham's railways for painting, etc.

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Valuable Conch Shell.

There are evidently a number of mysterious properties about the conch shell in its relation to Indian religious rites and ceremonies that require investigation. For instance, a conch with its spirals twisting to the right instead of to the left is supposed to be worth its weight in gold. Some years ago a conch of that description was offered for sale in Calcutta with a reserve price of a lac of rupees placed on it. It was eventually bought in for £4,000. —Allahabad Pioneer.

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POOR SEASON FOR FISHERMEN.

St. Johns, May 2.—The outlook for the French cod fishing fleet from St. Pierre, Miq., the present season is regarded as most gloomy. The number of vessels and the personnel of the crews is the smallest on record, and the first vessels now returning to that port report fish very scarce and the weather adverse.

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AFTER HERRING.

Converted Yacht Alert May Go to the Magdalen Islands.

The converted yacht Alert, now a clipper fishing vessel owned by Capt. Almon D. Malloch, which has been at this port for some weeks, being stripped and refitted in fisherman style, went to Boston yesterday with her seineboat in tow. It is reported that Capt. Malloch may not go mackerel seining right away but that he is thinking of fitting the craft for a trip to the Magdalen Islands to engage in catching herring, which come there in great shoals as soon as the ice leaves that region.

May 2.

BURIED WITH WRECKAGE.

Close Call of Capt. Larkin and Man at the Wheel.

When Mast of Sch. Natalie J. Nelson Fell Over Stern.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, which was dismasted and towed to this port, from Yarmouth, N. S., yesterday, finished getting out her trip of fresh fish yesterday and this morning hauled over to the wharf of Capt. Jerome McDonald where the work of making repairs to her stern made necessary by the damage caused by the falling mainmast will be done by Leonard McKenzie. It is expected that it will be a week before the vessel will be ready for her crew again, when Capt. Albert Larkin, her regular skipper, will fit her for a seining trip to the Cape Shore.

The escape of Capt. Larkin and John Morash, the man at the wheel when the mast fell, borders on the miraculous. The vessel at the time of the accident, a week ago Sunday night, was bound to the westward from Little LaHave bank with a rattling good breeze, just so she could swing her four lowers in good shape. The wind was from the westward and the sea was pretty rough and the vessel was driving along, about 60 miles from Seal Island. It was early evening and Capt. Larkin was having a chat with Morash at the wheel, the lookout being forward.

Looking aloft the skipper remarked, "That iron work stands it in great shape, don't it?" The words were barely out of his mouth than came a cracking and snapping and the mainmast was seen to quiver. Both knew something had given away. The captain made one dive for the cabin companionway but does not know how he reached the cabin door, while Morash made a dive for the side of the vessel to jump overboard and thus avoid being struck by the spar that he knew was descending. The fluttering mainsail cut him off and as a last resort he threw himself flat on the deck. The whole great mass of wreckage fell over him, burying him completely, but fortunately nothing struck him, and when the crew pulled away the sail and rigging they found him unharmed.

The iron work which gave way aloft left the mainmast with no support, and the latter broke almost at the deck and fell directly backward, fairly over the stern, and when it struck the taffrail started the whole stern fully a foot.

With all this mass of wreckage hanging to her in the heavy wind and sea, the Nelson was not in an altogether comfortable position. All hands turned to and tried to save the mainsail, but as a great deal of it had gone overboard with the broken spar and gaff, it was found impossible to do anything, so beyond a little rigging and the gaff, nothing was saved.

It was a long hard task to clear away the wreckage, but it was finally accomplished, and under shortened canvas the craft made Yarmouth, N. S., and was towed to this port from there by the tug Underwriter.

May 2.

ARE DOING WELL.

Two More Lunenburg Bankers Home with Nice Fares.

A despatch to one of our leading fishing concerns, received yesterday from Lunenburg, N. S., states that two more of the early Lunenburg bankers, which had been out five weeks or so, had just arrived, each with a fine fare, having 100,000 pounds of salt cod. Both vessels had had good fishing and reported quite a lot of fish and fine prospects.

About ten days ago, the first of the Lunenburg bankers, sch. Beatrice Mack, a craft well known here, arrived at her home port, having been gone but a month, with a fine fare of 80,000 pounds of salt cod. Her captain reported finding good fishing and thought the outlook was good. The arrival of these two fares Tuesday would tend to prove the wisdom of his opinion.

The Lunenburg vessel owners and skippers say that they are expecting a good salt banking season.

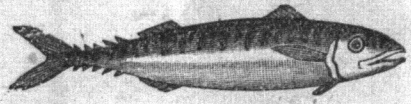
May 2.

REAL RECORD BREAKER.

Sch. Elizabeth Silsbee Has Fare of 50,000 Mackerel.

FIVE THOUSAND OF THEM LARGE

At Going Prices, the Stock Will Be Around \$6000 Mark.



What is up to date without doubt the banner mackerel trip of the season reached Fulton Market, New York, about 6 o'clock last evening, the big gasoline auxiliary sch. Elizabeth Silsbee, of the Atlantic Maritime Co.'s fleet, Capt. John A. McKinnon, steaming in with 40,000 fresh medium mackerel in count, all nicely laid down in ice in her ice house.

This morning, up to 8 o'clock, she was still the only arrival at the dock, and this being the case, together with no medium mackerel on the market for a week, means a good price sure, and undoubtedly the largest single stock of the season thus far.

Capt. McKinnon has been in once before, landing 22,000 fresh medium mackerel, so with any kind of a good price for this big lot, the Silsbee will go to the head and take the high line berth of the fleet to date.

A later special to the Times from its Fulton market correspondent says that Capt. McKinnon states that his fare will count out 50,000 mackerel, 90 per cent. of which are mediums, the rest large. The fare was taken in latitude 38° north, near where Capt. John F. Vantier got his haul.

At this rate the Silsbee has 5000 large mackerel and 45,000 medium mackerel and another dispatch to the Times states that the prices are 30 cents each for large and 10 cents each for mediums, which will give the craft a stock of \$6000, which is easily the largest stock ever made on a trip in the southern mackerel fishery, and with his previous trip, will put Capt. McKinnon far and away the high line of the fleet to date. In point of number of fish, the trip is also one of the largest ever landed out south.

May 2.

PLENTY OF ALEWIVES.
60,000 in Pocket Waiting Vessels at Edgartown.

A special to the Times from its Edgartown correspondent states that about 125,000 alewives were taken there Tuesday night and that all the vessels had baited and sailed and there were still 60,000 barrels in a pocket, waiting the arrival of more vessels.

May 2.

DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.
Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Quickstep, Seal Island Ground, 175,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Steamer Spray, via Boston, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Vessels Sailed.
Sch. Manomet, south, netting.
Sch. Good Luck, Rips.
Sch. Oliver F. Kilham, Rips.

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Boston.

Sch. Ramona, 9000 cod.
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, 9000 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.
Steamer Water Witch, 8000 pollock.
Sch. Mettacommet, 10,000 cod.
Sch. Seaconnet, 15,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 1000 hake, 4000 cusk.
Sch. Joseph H. Cromwell, 12,000 haddock, 5000 cod.
Sch. Annie and Jennie, 3500 haddock, 10,000 cod.
Sch. Diana, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod.
Sch. James S. Steele, 5000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 5000 cusk.
Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 25,000 cod.
Haddock, \$3.25 to \$3.30 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.75 to \$3; market cod, \$1.70 to \$2; pollock, \$1.50.

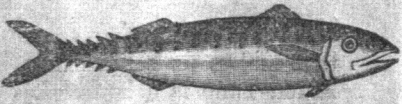
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SURPASSED THE RECORD.

Sch. Elizabeth Silsbee Stocked \$5100.

LARGEST TRIP EVER MADE SOUTH

Sch. Arthur Binney at New York with 5000 Large Fish.



A letter to the Times this morning from Fulton market confirms the Times report of the size of the trip of sch. Elizabeth Silsbee at Fulton Market, yesterday, 52,000 fish in count, on which the grand stock is nearly \$5100 gross. This is the largest stock ever made on one trip in the history of the southern mackerel fishery and will be a trip and stock long to be remembered. This gives the Silsbee a stock now of about \$7100 and puts her easily high line of the seining fleet out south.

A postal card from one of the crew of sch. Arthur James, Capt. Archibald Devine, dated at Pine Beach on Tuesday, states that they had shipped 60 barrels of fresh mackerel to New York on that day. It is supposed that the fish were shipped from Chinkoteague.

The fare of large fresh mackerel of sch. Arthur Binney at New York today will net a good stock, for the fish are selling a 35 cents each.

About 50 barrels of fresh mackerel, all large, from the trip of sch. Pinta, reached Boston yesterday for the markets.

Up to 8 o'clock this morning, the only arrival at Fulton market, New York, was sch. Arthur Binney of Boston, Capt. Rufus McKay, with 5000 fresh large mackerel in count.

May 3.

Bank Cod Sale.
The fare of salt bank cod of sch. S. F. Willard which sold to Cunningham & Thompson, brought \$4 per hundred weight for large and \$3.25 for medium.

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Good Stock.
Sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert B. Porper, stocked \$2339.77 as the result of her recent halibut trip of 26 days, the crew sharing \$47.85.

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SPOKE SALT BANKERS.

Sch. Flirt Brought Quick Shack Trip from the Peak.

Reports Weather as Cold as Winter Time Down There.

Sch. Flirt, Capt. Alfred Green, arrived this morning after a quick trip of 17 days from the Peak, with a fine fare of 120,000 pounds of fresh fish, 70,000 pounds of which are cod.

Capt. Green reports bad weather when he first got on the Peak, but after that he got two fine days and struck good fishing. Later on he tried another part of Western Bank, and struck some of the biggest haddock he ever saw. He also got 2100 pounds of halibut on one set there.

He left the Peak a week ago next Sunday and left nine of the salt bank fleet there, among them schs. Arcadia, Georgie Campbell and Bohemia, also the shacker Dictator. The rest of the salt bank fleet were into land for bait.

He spoke sch. Arcadia and Capt. Rodolph reported having 335 tubs of fish, which was about as well as any had done. Many of the fleet had done but little. They reported that the weather for the most part, had been cold and stormy, and when Capt. Green left it was like winter time.

Capt. Green has made a remarkable record this winter, and seems to be keeping up his big work.

May 3.

BIGGEST TRIP EVER.

Sch. Elizabeth Silsbee Had 51,000 Mediums and 1000 Large Mackerel

A special to the Times late this afternoon states that sch. Elizabeth Silsbee, Capt. John A. McKinnon, which arrived at Fulton Market, New York, this forenoon, with such a big fare, counted out 51,000 fresh medium mackerel and 1000 fresh large mackerel. This will give her a stock in the neighborhood of \$5400, which is the largest ever made on one trip in the southern mackerel fishery and is also believed to be the largest fare, as far as number of fish counted out is concerned.

May 3.

Brings Salt Alewives.

Sch. Rebecca Bartlett, of the Gloucester Mackerel Co.'s fleet, arrived here this noon from Cape Cod, with a load of salt alewives, the fish being secured at the streams the fishing privileges of which were bought by the company early this spring.

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Spray Brings Part of Her Fare Here.

The steam otter trawler Spray, which was at Boston yesterday with the biggest trip of her career, came down here this morning with 90,000 pounds of her trip, to split.

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Premier Bond Honored.

A cable from London says that the freedom of the city of London was conferred privately on Sir Robert Bond, the Newfoundland premier, at the Guildhall yesterday. Sir Robert was not there when the other premiers were made freemen of the city.